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Subject: Re: final decision to extend comment period to 9/10/10

How's this? And are we good to go with that phone number? Not sure who had the comment in there originally that we needed to check it.

EPA Extends the Comment Period for the Proposed Use of a Confined Aquatic Disposal Cell to Expedite Cleanup at the New Bedford Harbor Superfund Site

The US EPA proposes to modify the 1998 Record of Decision (ROD) for the upper and lower harbor to include use of a confined aquatic disposal (CAD) cell in the lower harbor for disposal of approximately 300,000 cubic yards of PCB-contaminated sediment requiring cleanup through EPA's Superfund program.

This proposed change is outlined in a draft Explanation of Significant Difference (ESD) document. This document remains in draft form until public comments and a response by EPA is officially recorded. This ESD will be available as part of the New Bedford Harbor Site's Administrative Record file at the reference desk of the New Bedford Public Library, 613 Pleasant Street, New Bedford, MA (508 991 6280), at the EPA Region 1 Records Center, 5 Post Office Square, Boston, MA (617 918 1440) and on the harbor cleanup website at www.epa.gov/ne/nbh.

EPA's evaluation of CAD cells, including both field monitoring and computer modeling, has concluded that CAD cell technology is a protective and safe approach for disposal of sediments in both the short and long term. Three CAD cells for disposal of navigational sediments have been used successfully to date in the same area as the proposed Superfund CAD cell. Recently finalized cost estimates indicate that both the time and cost to complete the upper and lower harbor cleanup can be reduced significantly through the use of CAD cell technology.

Comments on the draft ESD will be accepted from June 25 through September 10, 2010 and can be submitted either in writing or via email:

You may also mail written comments to:

David Dickerson

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5 Post Office Square - Suite 100
Boston, MA 02109-3912

Send email comments to:

NBH_Comments@epamail.epa.gov

EPA held an informational public meeting on Thursday 6/24/10 at the main New Bedford Public Library to discuss the draft ESD. Presentations and further information can be found at the harbor cleanup website at www.epa.gov/ne/nbh



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▼ Dave Dickerson---07/13/2010 11:52:38 AM---OK - 9/10/10 it is. Just to clarify, however, depending on what happens with HQ's concerns about

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OK - 9/10/10 it is. Just to clarify, however, depending on what happens with HQ's concerns about the enhanced remedy and use of the DMMP for the CAD cell siting, we may have to take some as-yet-undefined further action with this ESD or a separate ESD, no? But regardless, we can still announce that the comment period for the ESD as it currently stands has been extended to 9/10/10.

Jeanethe - can you revise the original newspaper announcement and circulate for comment?

Thanks - Dave

▼ Larry Brill---07/13/2010 11:22:40 AM---I agree we need to finalize the comment date before we send this out. I thought we agreed on Septemb

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Subject: Re: draft email - please look - Upcoming Harbor Meetings

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▼ Jeanethe Falvey---07/13/2010 10:37:31 AM---Hi all, Just a reminder and heads up about the next Harbor Public meetings!

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Hi all,

Just a reminder and heads up about the next Harbor Public meetings!

Thursday July 29, 2010 7:00 - 8:45 p.m.

**** LOCATION TBD **** It MIGHT be in the same 3rd floor room at the main library, but we are waiting to hear if the room is fully repaired from recent flooding issues. If you have any suggestions of alternative meeting locations, please feel free to share them with me.

We are foregoing holding a meeting during the last Thursday evening of August, as we anticipate to be entering the final stages of dredging during that time and there will be more to report out in September regarding the results of the

2010 cleanup season.

Also a reminder that we are still within the Comment Period for the alteration of the 1998 Record of Decision, Harbor Cleanup Plan to include a lower harbor confined aquatic disposal cell (CAD cell). This proposed change is outlined in a draft Explanation of Significant Difference (ESD) document. This document remains in draft form until public comments and a response by EPA is officially recorded. You may view this document at the New Bedford Harbor Site's Administrative Record file at the reference desk of the New Bedford Public Library, 613 Pleasant Street, New Bedford, MA (508 991 6280), at the EPA Region 1 Records Center, 5 Post Office Square, Boston, MA (617 918 1440) and on the harbor cleanup website at www.epa.gov/ne/nbh.

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